

6 - 13 February 1952

ARTISHOKE 1952

A/B, IV, 8, 15

6 February 1952

1. [redacted] showed the memorandum for the [redacted] in accordance with the suggestions of [redacted] all essential contents (probably unfavorable) direct to [redacted]

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2. [redacted] at 4:15 to discuss Project Arctishoke coordination (see memo to file).

C, A

11 February 1952

1. [redacted] to discuss the [redacted] memorandum. [redacted] advised that the [redacted] and the [redacted] were concurring in the memorandum substantially as written, although they are suggesting some minor changes to make it a little more direct and to include at least reference to the operational aspects. [redacted] had run into opposition in [redacted] and they would probably insist on the matter being referred to the [redacted] rather than the [redacted] to know that the [redacted] feel that this matter is of no concern to the [redacted] at present and will insist that it go to the [redacted] as originally planned.

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12 February 1952

1. [redacted] advised that he has clearance to see the scientists in connection with H. techniques. [redacted] expressed approval of the visits and asked that we be advised of the results achieved. [redacted] stated that they [redacted] don't have any operational teams at present and there is no radical talent in sight other than [redacted] who is totally unfamiliar with the techniques required. [redacted] a draft of a field experimentation program.

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13 February 1952

1. [redacted] met at 10:00 to discuss the [redacted] trip, now scheduled for 20 - 21 February. Since [redacted] will not be able to make the trip, [redacted] will meet the [redacted] representatives in [redacted] on 21 February and will inspect [redacted] facilities and programs for CIA. He will be represented however, as a [redacted] employee either from [redacted] also agreed to introduce [redacted] to the research people at [redacted] in order that we may be up to date on their work related to Project Arctishoke.

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This will probably occur after the [redacted] trip. [redacted] described several past and interesting details obtained from our experimentation with cannibals (see memo to Chief, WFO). [redacted] delivered a copy of the [redacted] Report to [redacted] for loan to [redacted].

2. [redacted] called to advise that just between us, [redacted] would be trying to get in touch with [redacted] during the day to deliver a slightly changed draft of the memorandum to the [redacted] and the [redacted] concerning the substantive changes in the draft. They do not concur in a suggestion which [redacted] will make that the matter be transmitted to the [redacted] rather than [redacted] also advised that they consider to be a good idea our suggestion to establish a screening mechanism for evidence of Artichoke techniques in persons released from [redacted] custody. They feel, however, that this matter should be handled by the [redacted] and not through the [redacted] since the [redacted] is involved and [redacted] is not represented on the [redacted].

3. [redacted] discussed Artichoke and WFO coordination at 2:15. [redacted] indicated that the way to get us all together is to start ahead on a number of research projects without too much concern over similar work now going on. [redacted] was briefed on the scope of the project to show that it goes way beyond simple drug research and read with interest the basic directive for the project. It was agreed that we would work together to get the project on the rails and would meet again on 14 February to discuss the matter.

4. [redacted] met with [redacted] at 2:30 to discuss the use [redacted] as a full-time assistant in Project Artichoke. [redacted] was briefed also on a plan to get some competent scientific personnel to work with CIA operational personnel in field experiments. [redacted] agreed to do what he can towards reconciling both matters. It was recognized that these matters must be discussed formally with [redacted] and we must sell [redacted] on the field program.

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